

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## Strathalbyn Town Centre Revitalisation Project Funding Announcement

## 23 March 2021

In fantastic news for Strathalbyn residents, Council has secured \$3.85 million grant funding from the State Government's Local Government Infrastructure Partnership Program, which will assist the completion of all eight stages of the revitalisation project.

Alexandrina Council and the Strathalbyn community are committed to revitalising the Town Centre and have worked together to develop an integrated Master Plan with eight distinct stages.

We are thrilled with the announcement from State Government, to see the continuation of works for this multi-staged project. It will continue to create jobs, build the local economy and capitalise on the Fleurieu Peninsula region's flourishing tourism industry.

Alexandrina Council's CEO, Glenn Rappensberg noted that the completion of the project will see great economic and social benefits from an estimated \$10 million total project investment.

"The completion of the Strathalbyn Town Centre Revitalisation Project will strengthen and support the region to grow and prosper and aligns with our A2040 community vision and 'Plan to Thrive'," he said.

With Stages one and two underway, the further \$7.7 million investment incorporates \$3.85M from the State Government's Local Government Infrastructure Partnership Program and Council's \$3.85M contribution to complete the remaining stages of the Town Centre Revitalisation Project including:

- Stage 3 Upgrade High Street Precinct
- Stage 4 Upgrade Dawson Street Precinct
- Stage 5 Upgrade Swale Street Link
- Stage 6 Upgrade Albyn Terrace Precinct
- Stage 7 Create Town Centre Tourism Parking
- Stage 8 Upgrade of the Strathalbyn Town Hall.

Mayor Keith Parkes is thankful for the generous contribution from the State Government.

"This fantastic announcement will see substantial community benefit by creating a revitalised town centre that will transform the streetscape and foster community connection," he said.

Stage one works on the Albyn Terrace intersection and area around the St Andrews Church and are expected to be completed by the end of March.

Stage two works on the Commercial Road / Albyn Terrace intersection will commence later this week with an expected completion date of 30 June 2021.

The eight staged master plan can be viewed on Council's website.



Photo: L-R, Mayor Keith Parkes, Councillor Rex Keily, Josh Teague MP, Member for Heysen and Alexandrina Council CEO, Glenn Rappensberg in Strathalbyn this morning to celebrate the funding announcement.